**From:** Ascolese , Liana
**To:** Mallon, Alanna
**Subject:** RE: "source of income discrimination" ordinance
**Date:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 1:03:15 PM

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Agreed – I've been looking into this issue today so I will be inputting this info. Ken also called to offer his input about the mystery BDS resolution and I explained to him that the email got buried in my inbox and passed on my apologies/update that I had responded to Mike.

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**From:** Mallon, Alanna
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 1:02 PM
**To:** Ascolese , Liana <lascolese@cambridgema.gov>
**Subject:** Fwd: 'source of income discrimination' ordinance

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**From:** Michael Turk <miketurk9@yahoo.com>
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 12:34:04 PM
**To:** Michael Turk; Ascolese , Liana
**Cc:** kenartistwriter@gmail.com; Mallon, Alanna
**Subject:** RE: 'source of income discrimination' ordinance

Liana,

Thanks for the update. It is much appreciated.

Mike
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On Wed, 4/11/18, Ascolese , Liana <lascolese@cambridgema.gov> wrote:

Subject: RE: 'source of income discrimination' ordinance
To: "Michael Turk" <miketurk9@yahoo.com>
Cc: "kenartistwriter@gmail.com" <kenartistwriter@gmail.com>, "Mallon, Alanna" <amallon@cambridgema.gov>
Date: Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 11:15 AM

Mike,

My sincerest apologies for not following up
directly on this. I realized after searching my inbox that
Alanna and I emailed back and forth about this proposed
order, but then I never circled back with you.

Right now I am trying to
locate the text of the income anti-discrimination ordinance,
and there's some discrepancies as to whether or not such
an ordinance exists on the local level. I am calling around
to different City departments to find out more information

and will follow up again.

As I'm sure you heard at the hearing last night, tenant protections and anti-discrimination are something that's important to the Housing Committee. I look forward to getting back in touch with more information.

Sincerely,

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-----Original Message-----
From: Michael Turk [mailto:miketurk9@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 2:05 PM
To: Ascolese , Liana <lascolese@cambridgema.gov>
Cc: kenartistwriter@gmail.com
Subject: 'source of income discrimination' ordinance

Dear Liana,

I am writing to you as a follow-up to the meeting that Ken Eisenberg and I had with Councillor Mallon earlier this month. A major topic of concern at that meeting was the difficulty faced by Section 8 tenants owing to discrimination based upon source of income and the existence of a city ordinance, referenced in the comprehensive housing report and agenda, but otherwise apparently not well known, prohibiting such discrimination.

It seemed to us both useful and important to:
(1) ascertain the exact language of the ordinance and the current scope of its enforcement, if any; (2) publicize its existence and thereby render it more effective as a vehicle for preventing such discrimination; and (3) consider other mechanisms that might alleviate the burden on tenants with vouchers seeking, or seeking to maintain their housing in Cambridge.

I realize that

these are matters that could be raised at tomorrow's Housing Committee meeting, in that the call for it provides a central role for city departments and non-profit agencies, which might be able to shed further light on them. However, it seemed to us that a fuller picture would be obtained if a council order were introduced to examine all these matters, and therefore we would ask if Councillor Mallon would be willing to consider introducing such an order.

Thanks for your interest and consideration.

Regards,

Michael Turk